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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Joseph Angel Ramirez Sr. of Silvis, who passed away on June 13, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Ramirez Sr. was born in East Moline to Felix and Cresencta Ramirez on January 2, 1920; he served in the United States Army during World War II and married Ophelia Lopez in Rock Island on December 31, 1955; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Ramirez Sr. worked as a machine operator at International Harvester in East Moline for 34 years; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Ramirez Sr. was a member of VFW Post 8890; he played semi pro baseball for the Quad Cities Rebels and was marble champion for the State of Illinois; he loved to play the guitar and sing with his best friend and brother, Louie; he also loved the outdoors and gardening; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Ramirez Sr. was preceded in death by his wife, Ophelia; his parents; his sons, Richard and Tom; and 15 siblings; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Ramirez Sr. is survived by his daughters, Josie Johnson, Sally Koehn, Rosann (Randy) Elsbury, and JoAnn

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1 (Barney) Heist; his sons, George Ramirez, Ray (Pancho) Rivas,  
2 and Joseph Ramirez Jr.; 16 grandchildren; 47  
3 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Julia Zapata and Carmen  
4 McClean; and his brother, Felix Ramirez; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
7 Joseph Angel Ramirez Sr., and extend our sincere condolences to  
8 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to the family of Joseph Ramirez Sr. as an expression  
12 of our deepest sympathy.